

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
NEW ENGLAND - REGION I  
1 CONGRESS STREET, SUITE 1100 - HBR  
BOSTON, MA 02114-2023

Superfund Records Center  
SITE: Oak Street  
BREAK: 2.2  
OTHER: 396215

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 15, 2003

SUBJ: Oak Street Site, Taunton, Massachusetts

FROM: Frank Gardner, On-Scene Coordinators  
Site Evaluation & Response Section II

Mia C. Pasquerella, On-Scene Coordinator  
Site Evaluation & Response Section II

TO: Site File

On April 17, 2003, OSCs Frank Gardner and Mia Pasquerella responded to a report of an abandoned drum on vacant property at 13 Woodbine Street, which is adjacent to the Oak Street Site in Taunton, Massachusetts. A resident of Belvoir Avenue had stated that a 55-gallon drum was visible in the woods behind his house on this property, which is owned by the Rose family. A representative of the owner, Mr. Don Rose was present for the investigation. OSCs Gardner and Pasquerella located and inspected three 55-gallon drums in this area (see photo below). The drums had open bungs and appeared to be empty. There was no evidence of additional drums in the area or filling or disposal activities.



The drums were  
substances using  
HNU photo-  
hazardous  
The instruments  
calibrated

detected for total volatile organics (VOC's), and the Multi-Rae measured LEL, oxygen, carbon monoxide, VOC's and hydrogen sulfide. Upon our request, Mr. Rose agreed to remove the drums from the property to eliminate the visual nuisance.

screened for hazardous  
the Multi-Rae and the  
ionization detector. No  
substances were detected.  
detected zero for all  
elements. The HNU